

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (previously presented): A device comprising:
an elongate filament configured into a pseudo-braided pattern and formed to define a generally tubular body with a first end and a second end; and
said first and second ends each being defined by a plurality of endless reversals of direction of said filament.

Claim 2 (canceled)

Claim 3 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein said plurality of endless reversals define a simple arc.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The device of claim 3, wherein said simple arc has a variable radius of curvature.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The device of claim 3, wherein said simple arc has a uniform radius of curvature.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of reversals embody loops having a generally constant radius of curvature.

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein at least one of said plurality of reversals embody a full-turn helical configuration.

Claims 9-11 (canceled)

Claim 12 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein said filament includes a first end and a second end, said first and second ends being joined together by twining.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein said filament includes a first end and a second end, said first and second ends being joined together by welding.

Claim 14 (canceled)

Claim 15 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein said filament includes a first end and a second end, said first and second ends being joined together by a sleeve, said sleeve embodying radiopaque material.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The device of claim 1, wherein said filament includes a first end and a second end, said first and second ends being joined together by a ball end, said ball end embodying radiopaque material.

Claims 17-27 (canceled)

Claim 28 (previously presented): A device for use in embolic protection, comprising:

an elongate filament configured into a pseudo-braided pattern and formed to define a body having a generally tubular inferior portion and a generally conical superior portion; and

said proximal and distal portions each being defined by a plurality of endless reversals of direction of said filament.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The device of claim 28, further comprising:
an elongate wire having proximal and distal end portions; and
said body configured about said elongate wire, said generally conical superior portion being affixed to said elongate wire.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The device of claim 29, further comprising a delivery catheter, said delivery catheter having a generally tubular portion that is adapted for receiving said body and said elongate wire.

Claim 31 (previously presented): The device of claim 29, further comprising a plurality of loops, a first end of said loops engaging said inferior portion of said body and a second end of said loops being affixed to said elongate wire.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The device of claim 31, further comprising a collar, said collar being joined to said plurality of loops.

Claim 33 (previously presented): The device of claim 32, wherein said collar is configured to slide longitudinally along said elongate wire.

Claim 34 (previously presented): The device of claim 32, wherein said body is self-expanding.

Claim 35 (previously presented): A thrombectomy device, comprising:
an elongate filament configured into a pseudo-braided pattern and formed to define a body having a first end and a second end; and
said first and second ends each being defined by a plurality of endless reversals of directions of said filament.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The device of claim 35, further comprising:
an elongate wire, said body being configured about said wire; and
a collar configured about said elongate wire in a slidable fashion, said collar
affixed to first said end of said body;
wherein said second end of said body is affixed to said elongate wire.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The device of claim 35, wherein said pseudo-braided pattern is uniform along a length of said body.

Claim 38 (previously presented): The device of claim 35, wherein said pseudo-braided pattern is varied along a length of said body.

Claim 39 (previously presented): The device of claim 35, wherein said body is self-expanding.

Claims 40-42 (canceled)